

Applicant traverses the rejection of claims 1 through 9, 16 through 18, 28, 30 through 35 and 39 through 53 on the basis of alleged lack of compliance with 35 USC 112 and alleged anticipation under 35 USC 102 and requests reconsideration of those claims on their merits.

Applicant traverses the objection to claims 10 through 14, 19 through 27 and 29 and requests reconsideration thereof.

Amendatory Requests--The Claims

Please amend the claims into the form shown in Attachment 1 which is a clean copy of all of the claims currently pending in the application in accordance with 37 CFR 1.121(c)(1)(i). A marked up copy of only those claims which have been amended in accordance with the requirements of 37 CFR 1.121(c)(ii) is attached hereto as Attachment 2.

Amendatory Requests--The Specification

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Please amend the specification by striking the text appearing at lines 1 through 6 on page 1 and substituting therefor the replacement section set forth in Attachment 3 hereto.

Please cancel the text appearing at lines 22, 23 and 24 of page 1 of the specification. This text is duplicative of the text appearing at lines 1 through 3 on page 2 of the specification. The now cancelled, duplicative text appeared as a result of a clerical error when the application was prepared. Applicant regrets any confusion resulting therefrom.

In the specification please make the following changes:

On page 2 at line 26 please substitute the word "compartment" for the word "component".

On page 24 at line 5, after the comma, please insert the following text: "which issued on 28 December 1999 as United States patent 6,007,236,".

On page 4 at line 15, please delete the “,” and insert the word “and” in its place.

On page 4 at line 25, please delete the “,” and insert the word “and” in its place.

On page 11 at line 2, please delete “its”.

On page 11 at line 4, please change “chamber 8” to “chamber 38”.

On page 11 at line 16, please add parentheses around the words “and therefore chamber 38”.

On page 11 at line 20, please insert the phrase “defined by chamber end wall” after the word “top” and before the number “66”.

On page 11 at line 21, please insert the phrase “defined by lower” after the word “bottom” and before the number “82”.

On page 11 at line 22, please insert the phrase “defined by end wall” after the word “portion” and before the number “66”.

On page 11 at line 24, please insert the phrase “defined by end wall” after the word “top” and before the number “66”.

On page 12 at line 1, please insert the number “18” after the word “combination” (first occurrence) and before the comma.

On page 16 at line 1, please change “framework” to “frame”.

On page 20 at line 11, please insert the phrase “of pneumatic piston-cylinder combination” after the word “piston” and before the number “136”.

On page 21 at line 2, please insert the phrase “of piston-cylinder combinations” after the word “cylinders” and before the number “18”.

On page 24 at line 16, please change the number “140” to “146”.

On page 25 at line 20, please change the number “136” to “140”.

On page 25 at line 25, please insert the word “horizontal” after the article “the” and before the word “metal”.

On page 26 at line 1, please change the number “156” to the number “157” and insert the word “horizontal” after the word “on” and before the word “strap”.

On page 26 at line 6, please delete the degree sign character adjacent to the number “270” and substitute therefore the word “degrees”.

On page 26 at line 8, please delete the degree sign character adjacent to the number “270” and substitute therefore the word “degrees” before the period.

On page 26 at line 20, please change “170” to “171”.

On page 26 at line 21, please delete the text “bore 172 having a”.

On page 29 at line 2, please insert the number “82” after the word “edge”.

On page 30 at line 11, please change the number “186” to “187”.

On page 30 at line 13, please change the number “186” to “187”.

On page 30 at line 14, please change the number “186” to “187”.

#### Drawing Corrections

Applicant respectfully requests permission to submit new formal drawings, having number corrections corresponding to the corrections to the specification as set forth above in accordance with the proposed corrections shown in red as set forth in attachment 4 hereto.

A letter to the official draftsman concerning the same also accompanies this response.

#### Remarks in Support of Patentability